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Customer No. 22,852  
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
David J. BALLANCE et al. ) Group Art Unit: 1653  
Application No.: 09/832,501 ) Examiner: Hope A. Robinson  
Filed: April 12, 2001 )  
For: ALBUMIN FUSION PROTEINS )

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Applicants hereby petition for a one month extension of time to reply to the Office  
Action of November 4, 2003. A fee of \$110.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge  
any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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